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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION

APPLICANT:

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INVENTION:

"BATHOPHENATHROLINE COMPOUND AND PROCESS FOR

PREPARING SAME"

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Between the title and the heading "Background of the Invention" on page 1, insert the following:

--RELATED APPLICATION DATA

The present application claims priority to Japanese Application No. P11-312071 filed November 2, 1999, which application is incorporated herein by reference to the extent permitted by law.

Respectfully submitted,

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